

ed product, which may probably equal in value 20 to 30 million bushels of wheat, gaining from 10 to 25 cents per bushel more than cost price, and as soon as all the old stock was disposed of they would then be ready to put down the price of the new crop. Particularly will this be the case if the crop is large, but if small they will give a fair price and make the consumer "pay the piper."

Past history proves that large crops seldom give the producer more than the small crop, so that it must be apparent that "The more wheat that can be sold, the more money we would make," does not always hold good.

One thing that should be kept in mind is to sow in wheat just such land and none other as is fitted and in first-class condition for wheat. Be sure and get it in early. Ground that cannot be sown in wheat early had much better be put in good condition and sown in oats or barley.

Foreign countries seem to be taking more of our oats each year, and I expect to see the duty on barley reduced from 30c. to 15c. per bushel by the Americans for this year's crop, which will mean just that much more for your barley.

Yours truly,

"MOSSBACK."

FEEDING CATTLE AND FEEDING THE MARKET

To the Editor:

In reviewing a few of the arguments that have recently been given in favor of a change from the private or company owned abattoir system, I would like to point out that in spite of the lectures farmers have had on "Feeding the market all the year round," not ten per cent. of the farmers practice stall feeding to any extent. We cannot say that 90 per cent. do not understand their business. If feeding could be done for part of the winter it would be more popular, but the by-dealers keep the price down with their frozen stuff, and the only chance is late in the spring when we are too busy to look after it.

My contention is that we need an up-to-date storage system of an independent character. In suggesting that a combination of government ownership and farmers' co-operation might evolve a scheme similar to the plan of handling produce in the western provinces that has been quite successful, I have been criticised for giving this as an illustration, since the cases were not analagous. Well; very few illustrations used in an argument are analagous, but I contend that it was near enough for the purpose for which it was used.

I believe that emissaries of the by-cattle dealers are abroad seeking to choke off expressions from representative farmers in favor of a change. The cattle men have met at Brandon convention, and although resolutions prepared by several competent parties were handed to the committee, the chairman gave no opportunity for taking the vote, while the packing house man had all the time he wanted.

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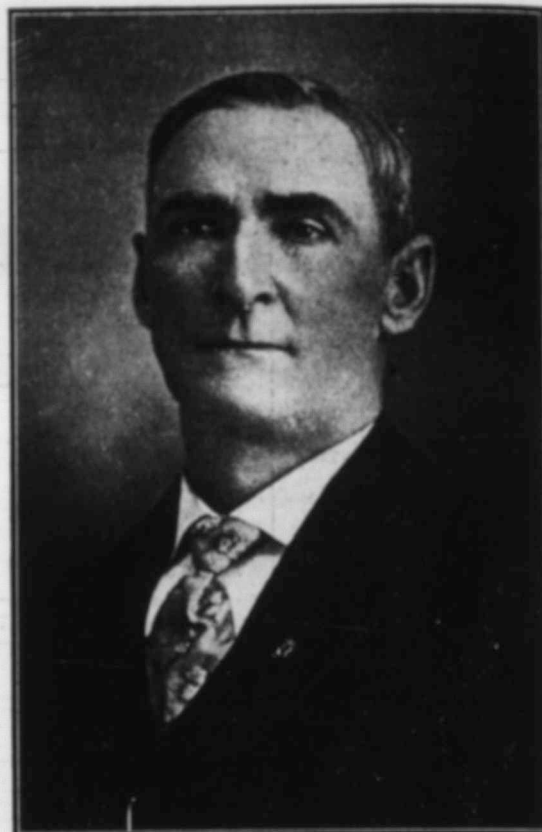
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